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A REVIEW OF THE CONTROVERSY

NEIL STRAWSER: "The controversy over the CIA and its financing of educational and other institutions attracted much of the attention again this week. The Tuesday meeting, which attracted Chairman Fulbright also, was one of a number of events which saw the pendulum of criticism swinging back, as reported by CBS News Correspondent David Schoumacher."

SCHOUMACHER: "After the CIA had borne the bulk of the criticism for more than a week, there were a series of grudging admissions this week in Washington that the Agency had not acted on its own. Rightly or wrongly, it was decided in the highest councils of government back in the 1950's that the CIA would have to underwrite student activities in international meetings if the United States was to be well represented as the communist bloc."

"That decision was reaffirmed by President Kennedy and by President Johnson."

"After a three-hour meeting with CIA Director Richard Helms, the Chairman of the Senate watchdog Committee, Richard Russell, said the subsidies for private organizations were at an end. Russell was concerned, however, about the impact on the CIA."

RUSSELL: "Well, of course, it's been very harmful to the CIA and probably to our intelligence sources generally. It seems now it's become fashionable, since this matter was revealed, for anyone who's ever had any contact with the CIA, to rush into the press, and show all of the details of it."

"Naturally, an intelligence organization is supposed to be a secret organization, doesn't function to the best advantage under those circumstances."

SCHOUMACHER: "In a preliminary report to the President, the